



**IT IS ORDERED as set forth below:**

**Date: November 6, 2020**

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**Barbara Ellis-Monro  
U.S. Bankruptcy Court Judge**

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA  
ATLANTA DIVISION

IN RE:	:	CHAPTER 7
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GWENDOLYN LORITA MARTIN,	:	CASE NO. 15-56724-BEM
aka GWENDOLYN ECHOLS MARTIN,	:	
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Debtor.	:	
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**ORDER APPROVING TRUSTEE'S FINAL REPORT AND APPLICATIONS FOR  
COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES OF THE TRUSTEE AND  
PROFESSIONALS OF THE TRUSTEE**

On September 15, 2020, the Chapter 7 Trustee ("**Trustee**") filed applications for payment of compensation in the amount of \$4,504.59 and expenses in the amount of \$113.20 to the Chapter 7 Trustee [Doc. No. 149-1], and compensation in the amount of \$15,993.36 and

expenses in the amount of \$579.65 to Arnall Golden Gregory LLP, the Chapter 7 Trustee's counsel [Doc. No. 149-2] (collectively, the "**Fee Applications**").<sup>1</sup>

Also on September 15, 2020, Trustee filed his *Trustee's Final Report (TFR)* [Doc. No. 149] (the "**Trustee's Final Report**") in which he proposed to make certain distributions to creditors, including the above mentioned professionals.

On September 16, 2020, Trustee filed a notice [Doc. No. 150] (the "**Notice**") of the Fee Applications, setting the Fee Applications and Trustee's Final Report for hearing on October 20, 2020 (the "**Hearing**").

Trustee certifies that he served the Notice on all creditors and parties in interest entitled to notice. [Doc. No. 150-1].

No party in interest filed a response in opposition to the relief requested in the Fee Applications or Trustee's Final Report.

No creditors or parties in interest appeared at the Hearing to oppose the relief requested in the Fee Applications or Trustee's Final Report.

The services sought to be compensated in the Fee Applications have been evaluated pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 326 and 330. The compensation requested by Trustee is equal to the statutory fee provided in 11 U.S.C. §326, and appears reasonable under the circumstances. The compensation of Trustee's professionals is reasonable under the circumstances. Under the principles set forth in *Norman v. Housing Authority of City of Montgomery*, 836 F.2d 1292 (11th Cir. 1988), and this Court's knowledge of prevailing market rates and an evaluation of the skill, experience, and reputation of the professional applicants, the hourly rates which they seek to

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<sup>1</sup> In several of the applications, the actual amount of fees and expenses requested were greater than the amounts set out in this Order, but those fees and expenses were voluntarily reduced based on available funds, as set out in greater detail in Trustee's Final Report [Doc. No. 149].

charge are reasonable. Review of the Fee Applications shows the hours expended were reasonable. The Court further finds that the expenses, for which reimbursement is sought, were reasonable and necessary in rendering the services. No factors are present in this case that require reduction or enhancement of the lodestar. Accordingly, and for good cause shown, it is hereby

**ORDERED** that the Fee Applications and Trustee's Final Report are **APPROVED** and this approval is made final. It is further

**ORDERED** that the fees and expenses requested are allowed as compensation and reimbursement of expenses as follows:

<i>Applicant</i>	<i>Docket No.</i>	<i>Fees</i>	<i>Expenses</i>	<i>Total</i>
S. Gregory Hays, Chapter 7 Trustee	149-1	\$4,504.59	\$113.20	\$4,617.79
Arnall Golden Gregory LLP, attorneys for Chapter 7 Trustee	149-2	\$15,993.36	\$579.65	\$16,573.01

It is further

**ORDERED** that Trustee is authorized and directed to pay said compensation and reimbursement of expenses approved herein based on available funds and as specifically outlined in Trustee's Final Report.

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**Order prepared and presented by:**

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All entities on the creditors matrix